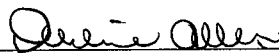


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	§	
MCCABE, ET AL.	§	Group Art Unit: 1712
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Serial No.: 10/691,367	§	
	§	Examiner: BUTTNER, DAVID J.
Filed: October 22, 2003	§	
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Title: "METHODS OF PREPARING AND USING	§	
CLEAN VISCOUS WELL TREATING	§	Atty. Docket No: HES 2002-IP-008009U1
FLUIDS AND COMPOSITIONS"	§	

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**Honorable Commissioner of Patents**  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO**  
**FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED JULY 16, 2007**

Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 16, 2007 (the "Final Office Action"), Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's rejections.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.